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H2020 AI4Copernicus project kicks-off

The new European Artificial Intelligence project will Reinforce the AI4EU Platform by Advancing Earth Observation Intelligence, Innovation and Adoption

A new European H2020 project under the Artificial Intelligence domain kicked off on 21 and 22 January 2021 with the name Al4Copernicus: Reinforcing the Al4EU Platform by Advancing Earth Observation Intelligence, Innovation and Adoption.

Al4Copernicus proposes to reinforce and optimise the Al4EU platform service offering with Al4Copernicus datasets, tools and services relevant to Copernicus data to facilitate the use and uptake of the platform resources in domains of high economic and societal impact, such as in Agriculture, Health, Energy and Security. The project aims to integrate the already existing Al4EU Al-on-demand platform with innovative solutions exploiting Copernicus (Earth Observation) data.

AI4Copernicus will expand and deepen the integration of AI4EU with DIAS platforms to enrich the AI4EU service offering and enable far-reaching innovation; to kickstart the innovation cycle by incentivising diverse AI4EU and Copernicus communities, to solve real problems of business, and provide societal value.

Additionally, the project will create an open call platform, through which funding will be made available for small-scale experiments and larger scale projects with the scope to use DIAS platforms with Copernicus satellite and services data which are to be applied in the industry, for the citizens, research institutes from diverse societal domains.

The partnership consists of 11 partners from seven countries: the <u>National Center for Scientific</u> <u>Research Demokritos</u> (Greece), the <u>National and Kapodistrian University of Athens</u> (Greece), the aerospace manufactures <u>Thales Alenia Space</u> (France), the <u>INSEAD Institut Europeen d'</u> <u>Administration des Affaires</u> (France), the telecommunication services provider <u>Thales Six</u> (France), the <u>European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts</u> (International Organisation), the provider of innovative services <u>CloudFerro</u> (Poland), the <u>University of Trento</u> (Italy), the <u>SatCen - European</u> <u>Union Satellite Centre</u> (Spain), the multinational energy company <u>Equinor Energy AS</u> (Norway) and the consulting company Blue-Sight Conseil (France).

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